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2. The report contains the following information: a sketch of the airfield with legend of installations; the units stationed at the airfield, including Medium Bomber Regiment No. 2, the aircraft of the airfield, such as the IL-28-2 bomber (Butcher); locations of the Medium AAA Division, radio and radar stations, and fuel and ammunition depots; railroad and road connections; and limited general area information,

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25 YEAR RE-REVIEW

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1. Location

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Piotrkow, Poland, lies southwest of Warsaw on the Czestochowa - Radomsko - Piotrkow - Skierniewice - Warsaw line, and southeast of Lodz.

2. Location of airfield

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The airfield is located 5 3/4 kilometers northeast of the Piotrkow railroad station, 700 meters southeast of the Piotrkow - Tomaszow highway and 2,000 meters from the church tower in Uszczyn. The airfield is rectangular, with its long side running from northeast to southwest. It is 2,400 meters long and 1,400 meters wide.

3.a. Runways

(see No 1)

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The field has two parallel concrete runways. They are 2,000 meters long and 50 meters wide, running from northeast to southwest, 300 meters apart from each other, and are located 550 meters from the north side and 500 meters from the south side of the field.

b. Taxiway

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The taxiway is elliptical and encircles the airfield; it is 20 meters wide, rolled; part of its west side has been asphalted.

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4. Units stationed at the airfield

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Medium Bomber Regt No 2,

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AAA Battery with six 37-mm AA guns.

Signal Company

Radio Signal Platoon

Radar Platoon

Wire Signal Platoon

Supply Company (shops and medical service units)

2 bomber squadrons, each consisting of

Headquarters platoon,

3 flights, each consisting of

2 teams (2 planes each)

Airplane park: IL 28-2 bombers. [Butcher]

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The plane has two jet engines, mounted under the wings near the fuselage. The wings are swept back at a 40 degree angle and are equipped with booster rockets at their tips. The plane has a crew of 3 men, i.e. pilot, navigator who is also the bombardier, and a gunner.

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The plane has the following equipment: Radar

, six 23-mm guns (2 rigid guns

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in the wings, 2 guns in the waist and 2 guns in the tail). The tail guns are remote-controlled by the gunner. Training exercises consisted of bombing flights with four 250-kilogram training bombs.

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Only politically reliable personnel, who^{ve} have been tested by the party cadre, may belong to this regiment. All officers and enlisted men of this regiment are members of the PZPR.

Air Service Battalion

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Guard Company

Signal Company

Maintenance Company (shops)

Transportation Company

Medium AAA Division, (see No 9)

Located in the garrison complex of the airfield.

3 batteries, each battery has four 85-mm AA guns.

5. Buildings

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Hangars

Two center hangars, each 120 x 80 meters, (see No 4,) center of northwest side.

Two outer hangars, each 85 x 55 meters, (see No 5), center of northwest side.

All four hangars are of reinforced concrete construction with brick

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walls, flat roofs, and sliding doors.

Two warehouses (see No 6)

Located at the southern half of the northern^{west} side. They are one-story 35 x 15 meter brick structures. Fuel and lubricants are stored in the northeast warehouse. Spare parts and spare motors are stored in the

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southern warehouse. West of the hangars, (see No 4) is a one-story building.

Airfield guard and inspection officer (see No 7)

Airfield headquarters building (see No 8)

This building is a three-story building with a flat roof and is

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located in the western corner. In the center of the building is the flight control tower.

Garrison complex (see No 9)

The garrison buildings are located west of the center of the northwest side, between the airfield and the Piotrkow - Tomaszow highway. The garrison buildings cover an area 400 x 300 meters and consist of eight 60 x 20 meter, two-story buildings, two one-story buildings, two groups of garages and two groups of depots.

5. "Blast-shelters" (see No 3)

These are located along the entire southeast side. 30 airplane dispersal stations are located in the forrest. The dispersal stations are surrounded by old beach trees and earth revetments.

6. Fencing

The entire airfield is surrounded by barbed wire. The garrison, fuel depot, and bomb depot have separate fences.

7. Radio, radar and meteorological station

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Radio

An ultra-high-frequency installation is located in the headquarters building (see No 8). The antenna is mounted on an iron frame on top of the flight control tower. The antenna is concave and has a diameter of 2 meters.

Radar (see No 12)

A permanent radar station is located in the southern corner of the airfield. The station has two 3 x 3 meter parabols²₁ which are mounted on an 8 to 10 meter high trellis mast on top of small concrete structures.

Meteorological station

None. Wind socks are hung in front of the hangars and anemometers are located on the roof of the hangars.

8. Fuel and ammunition

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Fuel depot, (see No 13)

The central fuel depot is located northeast of the garrison complex (see No 9.)

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It is located in the woods between the airfield and the Piotrkow - Tomaszow highway. The depot has its own road to the garrisons.

It covers an area of 180 meters by 80 meters and is surrounded by barbed wire. The number of subterranean tanks is not known; however, sand and gravel mounts (4 to 5 meters high), [redacted] are overgrown with grass [redacted]

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Fuel lines lead from the central fuel depot to four fuel stations on the airfield; (see No 14); 2 between the southern half of the two runways and 2 between the northern half of two runways. The fuel stations are covered with concrete blocks. The cover must be removed to use the rubber fuel hose.

Ammunition

On the northeast side of the inner part of the garrison complex are 6 corrugated sheet metal ammunition barracks (see No 15). A munitions depot is located in the woods 300 meters southeast of the center of the south side (see No 16).

4 wooden barracks and 2 concrete bunkers.

Medium bombs are reportedly stored here. [redacted]

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[redacted] Barbed wire fencing [probably around the barracks and bunkers.].

9. AAA positions

None [redacted]

10. Electric power

Above-ground power lines 100 meters northwest of the Piotrkow - Tomaszow highway bring the power to the field from the power plant in Piotrkow. (see No 10) The branch circuit (see No 11) branches off [from the main power line] roughly at the point where the highway branches off to the garrison complex. Cable.

11. Road and Railroad connections

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The Piotrkow - Tomaszow highway with its branch to the airfield runs in a northwesterly direction along the north side of the field. The branch from the highway is blocked by a barrier. There is no railroad connection.

12. Illumination

The highest peaks of trees lying in the take-off path are illuminated.

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13. Legend to the sketch [not attached]

1. Concrete runways
 2. Taxiway
 3. Plane dispersal stations
 4. Large hangars
 5. Small hangars
 6. Depot barracks
 7. Airfield guard
 8. Airfield headquarters and flight control tower
 9. Garrison complex
 10. Electric power line
 11. Branch circuit of the power line
 12. Radar station
 13. Central fuel depot
 14. Fuel stations along runways
 15. Ammunition depot
 16. Central bomb and ammunition depot
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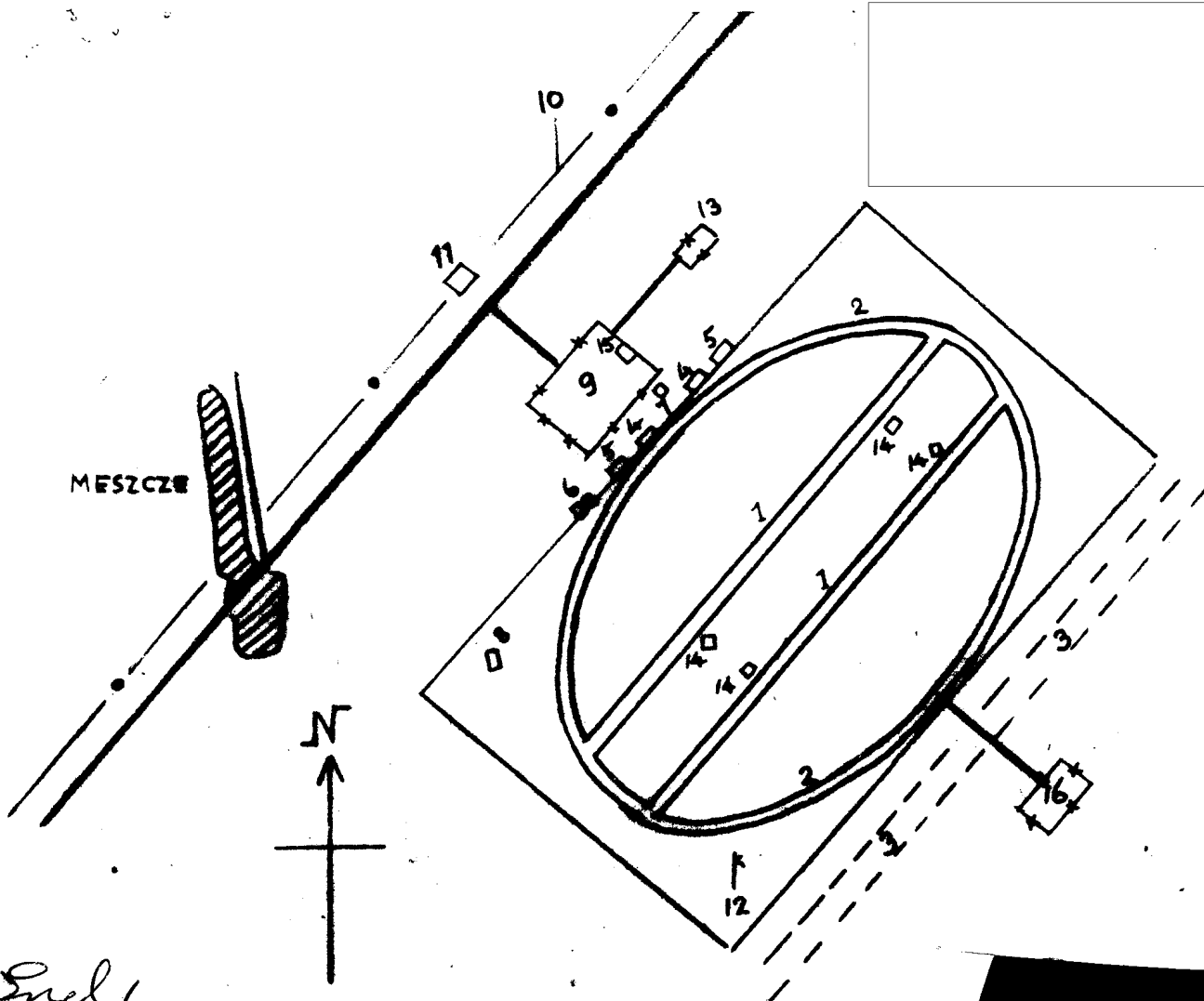
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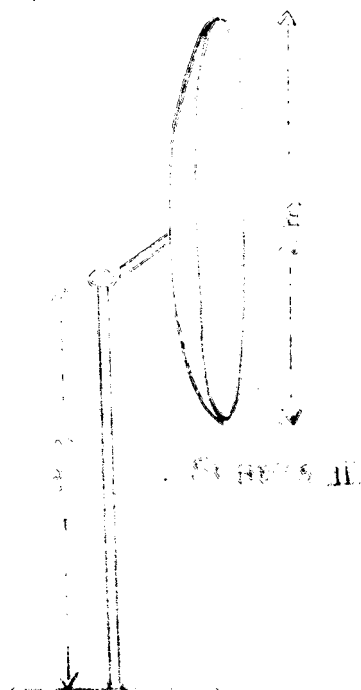
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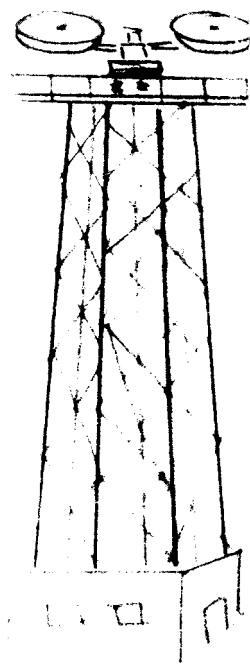
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